Invertebrates: advice and diagnostic support

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Advice and diagnostic support

The following institutes are available for advice and diagnostic work to identify native invertebrates:

- New Zealand Arthropod Collection (NZAC) Landcare Research

  http://www.landcareresearch.co.nz/resources/collections/nzac

  Contact: Darren Ward

  Expertise for the following invertebrate groups: spiders, beetles, cicadas and true bugs, moths and butterflies, stick insects, flies, wasps and bees, mites, nematodes.

  The collection hosts the most comprehensive collection of terrestrial invertebrates in New Zealand and molecular diagnostics are also available.

- Otago Museum

  http://otagomuseum.nz/

  Contact: Emma Burns and Tony Harris

  Expertise for the following invertebrate groups: beetles, flies, moths and butterflies.

  Collection has a focus on Otago endemics, particularly moths and beetles.

- Lincoln University Entomology Research Collection

  http://bioprotection.org.nz/facilities/lincoln-university-entomology-research-collection

  Contact: John Marris

  Expertise for the following invertebrate groups: general entomological identification, beetles and mites.

  The collection has strength in insects from across the South Island, Chatham Islands and many of the offshore and subantarctic islands. Molecular diagnostics also available.

- Canterbury Museum

  http://www.canterburymuseum.com/collections-and-research/research

  Contact: Cor Vink or Peter Johns

  Expertise for the following invertebrate groups: spiders, wētā, millipedes, mayflies, caddisflies, cockroaches.

  Collection has a focus on South Island endemics.

- Massey University

  http://www.massey.ac.nz/massey/learning/colleges/college-of-sciences/about/agriculture-environment/agriculture-environment_home.cfm

  Contact: Steve Trewick

  Expertise for the following invertebrate groups: grasshoppers, wētā, peripatus. Molecular diagnostics also available.

- Wildlands (Christchurch)

  http://www.wildlands.co.nz/

  Contact: Brian Patrick

  Expertise for the following invertebrate groups: moths and butterflies, some freshwater species.

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